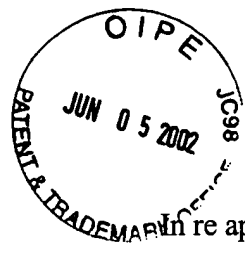


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Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)," mailed March 12, 2002, for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

Please note that the Declaration includes Mr. Yongzhe Yan as an inventor; he was inadvertantly omitted on the transmittal letter accompanying the filing of this application.

A check for the statutory fee of \$130.00 is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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